“It’s easy to have one-off interactions with parents. This is not that. We teach educators to reimagine their relationships with families and the community to create positive interactions that support learning.”

- Lee-Ann Stephens
2007 Minnesota State Teacher of the Year

Course VI:
Building Powerful Family & Community Partnerships

Substantial evidence exists showing that parent and community involvement benefits students, increasing their motivation for learning, improving behavior, and contributing to a more positive attitude about school. Learn how to develop deeper connections with family and community and to create partnerships that serve students better. Gain insights about how the school, the family and the community can contribute to students’ learning and help them have a positive school experience.

This course will enhance your ability to:
• Create meaningful collaboration with families and communities, moving your school from basic outreach to real partnership
• Implement changes to drive positive interactions with families and communities that benefit students
• Rethink the traditional model of family and community engagement so that students are at the heart of the work
• Understand and apply research around best practices for building open, unbiased family and community relationships

You will leave with:
• Valuable tools to help re-define your relationships with family and community
• Insights and innovative methods to inspire and guide your progress
• New strategies to transform existing outreach efforts
• A path to earning digital credentials in teacher leadership
• An action plan to promote change in your school or district
• A virtual follow up session to support your work on your plan

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